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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Markus BAUMANN et al.

Serial No.: 09/945,551

Filed: September 2, 2001

For: TORQUE-TRANSMITTING LOOP  
MEMBER HAVING IMPROVED  
DURABILITY (AS AMENDED)

Group Art Unit 3682

Examiner: J. Stefanon

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002 (Paper No. 5),  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Kindly enter the substitute specification attached hereto as Attachment A.

The substitute specification includes no new matter. Also enclosed, as Attachment B, is a copy of the substitute specification showing by underlining and bracketing all the changes included in Attachment A as matter added to and as matter deleted from the translation of the originally-filed specification.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly amend claims 1 to 3 to read as follows:

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